REMARKS

Pending Claims

Claims 44-51 remain pending.

Request for Continued Examination

Applicants received a Notice of Allowance mailed February 16, 2005, however, Applicants have filed an RCE without paying the issue fee in order to reopen prosecution.

Claim 48 has been amended to correct a typographical error. Applicants intend to update their duty of disclosure.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendment and continued examination of the application.

Respectfully submitted

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